

LOGIC MODEL: Impact of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses on Patient Outcomes in a Community Hospital in North Carolina.

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Brief Program Description: The value of patient satisfaction and staff satisfaction rendered by APRN's is often unrecognized and under-valued. The purpose of this project is to examine the impact of nurse practitioners on patient satisfaction, staff satisfaction, and readmission rates at a community hospital in Western North Carolina. With the changing face of healthcare and the focus shifting towards outcomes and quality assessment, careful evaluation of the role of APRN's is important to establish the value of APRN'S in hospitalist programs. The goal of this project is to show the cost-effective quality of care provided by APRN's by examining the impact of APRN'S on quality indicators such as patient satisfaction scores, nursing satisfaction scores and readmission rates in a cohort of medical patients and staff at Catawba Valley Medical Center in Hickory, North Carolina.

Mission Statement: To enhance the value of APRN's in the hospitalist service.

Program Customers:

